

**DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR
DESIGN
PATENT APPLICATION
(37 CFR 1.63)**

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Attorney Docket Number

First Named Inventor

Helmut Bacher

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Application Number

Filing Date

Art Unit

Examiner Name

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Backwashable filtering device

the specification of which

(Title of the Invention) is attached hereto

OR

 was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY)

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as United States Application Number or PCT International

Application Number PCT/AT/2004/000433 and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

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NAME OF SOLE OR FIRST INVENTOR:

 A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor

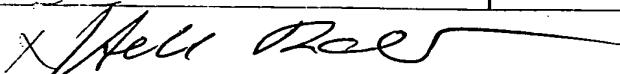
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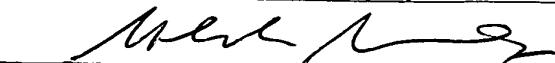
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Supplemental Sheet
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	Filing Date	
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	Title	Backwashable filtering Device
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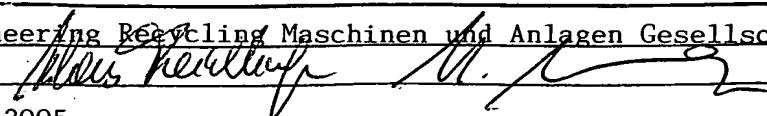
I am the:

Applicant/Inventor.

Assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.

Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

SIGNATURE of Applicant or Assignee of Record

Name	EREMA Engineering Recycling Maschinen und Anlagen Gesellschaft m.b.H.			
Signature				
Date	June 27, 2005			

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner Helmut Bacher, Helmuth Schulz, Georg Wendelin

Application No./Patent No.: _____ Filed/Issue Date: _____

Entitled: Backwashable filtering device

EREMA Engineering Recycling Maschinen und Anlagen Gesellschaft m.b.H.

(Name of Assignee) (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

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Copies of assignments or other documents in the chain of title are attached.

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

June 27, 2005
Date

Klaus Feichtinger Helmut Schulz

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General manager General manager
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ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, Helmut Bacher, Helmuth Schulz and Georg Wendelin inventors of the invention described and set forth in the below-identified application for United States Letters Patent:

Title of Invention: Backwashable filtering device

Date(s) of Execution: June 27, 2005

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Application No.: ; and

WHEREAS,

hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE," is desirous of acquiring ASSIGNORS' interest in the said invention and application and in any U.S. Letters Patent which may be granted on the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by Assignors, Assignors have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto the said Assignees, and Assignees' successors and assigns, all their right, title and interest in and to the said invention and application, and in and to any Letters Patent which may hereafter be granted on the same in the United States, the said interest to be held and enjoyed by said Assignees as fully and exclusively as it would have been held and enjoyed by said Assignors had this Assignment and transfer not been made, to the full end and term of any Letters Patent which may be granted thereon, or of any division, renewal, continuation in whole or in part, substitution, conversion, reissue, prolongation or extension thereof.

Assignors further agree that they will, without charge to Assignee, but at Assignee's expense, cooperate with Assignee in the prosecution of said application and/or applications, execute, verify, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for Letters Patent and for the reissue thereof, and instruments of assignment and transfer thereof, and will perform such other acts as Assignee lawfully may request, to obtain or maintain Letters Patent for said invention and improvement, and to vest title thereto in Assignee, or Assignee's successors and assigns.

Assignors hereby authorize and request Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP, Two Embarcadero Center, 8th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94111-3834, to insert herein above the application number and filing date of said application when known.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignors have signed their names on the dates indicated.

Dated: June 27, 2005


Helmut Bacher

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